

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6, 9-13, 16, 18 and 20 were rejected under §102 as being anticipated by Kim. The Examiner indicated the allowability of Claims 7, 8 and 14. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of cancelled Claim 7, namely, that the grasping means includes a plurality of micro-hooks. Therefore, this rejection under §102 should be withdrawn.

Claim 15 was rejected under §103 as being unpatentable over Kim. Claim 15 depends from Claim 1. Therefore, this rejection is moot in light of the amendment to Claim 1 which incorporates the limitations of cancelled Claim 7.

Claim 19 was rejected under §103 as being unpatentable over Kim in view of Imran. Claim 19 depends from Claim 1, and therefore, this rejection under §103 is also moot. Also, the Imran reference fails to cure the deficiencies in Kim.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowability of Claims 7, 8, and 14.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicants believe that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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